

# HOUSE BILL No. 1276

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 6-1.1-4-4; IC 6-1.1-4-27.

**Synopsis:** Property reassessment delay. Postpones the general reassessment of real property scheduled to begin July 1, 1999, to July 1, 2000.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 11, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

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First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) A general  
3 reassessment, involving a physical inspection of all real property in  
4 Indiana, shall begin July 1, ~~1999~~, **2000**, and each fourth year thereafter.  
5 Each reassessment shall be completed on or before March 1 of the  
6 immediately following ~~odd-numbered~~ **even-numbered** year and shall  
7 be the basis for taxes payable in the year following the year in which  
8 the general assessment is to be completed.  
9 (b) In order to ensure that assessing officials and members of each  
10 county property tax assessment board of appeals are prepared for a  
11 general reassessment of real property, the state board of tax  
12 commissioners shall give adequate advance notice of the general  
13 reassessment to the county and township taxing officials of each  
14 county.  
15 SECTION 2. IC 6-1.1-4-27 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27. (a) The auditor  
17 of each county shall establish a property reassessment fund. The county

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1 treasurer shall deposit all collections resulting from the property taxes  
2 that the county is required to levy under this section in the county's  
3 property reassessment fund.

4 (b) ~~With respect to the general reassessment of real property which~~  
5 ~~is to commence on July 1, 1999, the county council of each county~~  
6 ~~shall, for property taxes due in the year in which the general~~  
7 ~~reassessment is to commence and the three (3) years immediately~~  
8 ~~preceding that year, levy against all the taxable property of the county~~  
9 ~~an amount equal to three-fourteenths (3/14) of the estimated cost of the~~  
10 ~~general reassessment.~~

11 (c) ~~With respect to a general reassessment of real property that is to~~  
12 ~~commence on July 1, 2003, 2004, and each fourth year thereafter, the~~  
13 ~~county council of each county shall, for property taxes due in the year~~  
14 ~~that the general reassessment is to commence and the three (3) years~~  
15 ~~preceding that year, levy against all the taxable property in the county~~  
16 ~~an amount equal to one-fourth (1/4) of the estimated cost of the general~~  
17 ~~reassessment.~~

18 (d) ~~(c)~~ The state board of tax commissioners shall give to each  
19 county council notice, before January 1, of the tax levies required by  
20 this section.

21 (e) ~~(d)~~ The state board of tax commissioners may raise or lower the  
22 property taxes levied under this section for a year if they determine it  
23 is appropriate because the estimated cost of the general reassessment  
24 has changed.

25 SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **The definitions**  
26 **in IC 6-1.1-1 apply throughout this SECTION.**

27 (b) **The state board of tax commissioners or a local assessing**  
28 **official may delay any duty imposed by statute or rule that is**  
29 **related to the general reassessment that was scheduled to begin**  
30 **July 1, 1999, but is canceled by subsection (c). An action taken by**  
31 **the state board of tax commissioners or an assessing official to**  
32 **cancel or otherwise delay any of the duties imposed for the**  
33 **implementation of a general reassessment of real property that was**  
34 **to commence on July 1, 1999, is legalized and validated.**

35 (c) **The general reassessment scheduled to begin July 1, 1999,**  
36 **under IC 6-1.1-4-4, as effective before the effective date of this act,**  
37 **is canceled. Any contract entered into under IC 6-1.1-4-20, as**  
38 **effective before the effective date of this act, or any other law for**  
39 **professional appraising services is void. A property tax levy**  
40 **imposed under IC 6-1.1-4-27, before or after its amendment by this**  
41 **act, for the general reassessment canceled by this subsection is**  
42 **valid. Any information collected or other analysis performed by an**



1 assessing official or the state board of tax commissioners for the  
2 general reassessment that was scheduled to begin on July 1, 1999,  
3 may be used for the assessment of real property after February 28,  
4 2002. Money deposited in the general reassessment fund of the  
5 county imposing a property tax under IC 6-1.1-4-27, before or  
6 after its amendment by this act, may be used by a political  
7 subdivision only for the purposes described in IC 6-1.1-4-28 and to  
8 implement this act. The state board of tax commissioners shall  
9 consider any funds accumulated from the tax imposed under  
10 IC 6-1.1-4-27, before or after its amendment by this act, in 1994,  
11 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 in setting tax rates under  
12 IC 6-1.1-4-27, as amended by this act, in 2000.

13 SECTION 4. An emergency is declared for this act.

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